

**MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
UTILITY DIVISION
AGENDA NO. 98-4-20**

Date Prepared: April 16, 1998

For Work Week Commencing: April 20, 1998

Business Meeting Date & Time: April 20, 1998, 10:00 a.m.

General Introduction This agenda is the Commission's Utility Division agenda for the work week designated. In the later part of each week (generally, Thursday by 2:00 p.m.) prior to the work week to which an agenda pertains, the agenda is posted on the public information bulletin board at the Commission offices, deposited in the mail directed to all persons who have properly requested notice by mail, placed on the state electronic bulletin board, and posted to the PSC's world wide web site at <http://www.psc.mt.gov>.

Place of Meetings All meetings are held at the Commission offices, 1701 Prospect Avenue, Helena, Montana, unless otherwise noted.

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Work Sessions All items identified below are for Commission discussion or action on the day designated (Dan).

1. Electric Supplier Licensing Docket L-97.8.6-RUL - Approve filing necessary licensing rules with Secretary of State of publishing on April 30 (4/20/98)
2. USWC Proxy Model Docket D97.9.167 - Discuss matters as necessary (4/20/98)
3. AT&T/USWC Arbitration Docket D96.11.200 - Discuss draft order on supplemental disputed issues (4/21/98)
4. USWC § 271 Compliance Docket D97.5.87 - Review and vote on Petitions to Intervene and Notice of Withdrawal of MTA (4/21/98)
5. PSC EAS West Yellowstone Docket D97.10.206 - Discussion, action, or direction on US West phase II EAS filing (4/21/98)
6. MPC Docket D97.7.90 - Discuss comments from intervenors and possible PSC response (4/21/98)
7. MPC Gas Tracker Docket D97.11.212 - Discuss and act on vacating hearing and adopting interim as final order (4/21/98)

8. MPC Financing order Docket D97.11.219 - Discuss and act on financing order (4/21/98)
9. Weekly Scheduling Meeting - Will be held at 9:45 a.m. on the day of the Business Meeting

Action Items All items identified below are for action at the Commission business meeting.

1. PROJECT TELEPHONE COMPANY - Docket N98.1.5 (Kate)

On April 3, 1998, Project Telephone Co. submitted a revised tariff filing to propose changes to its existing custom calling and CLASS features, including name changes, service packages and reductions in minimum prices of eight detariffed custom calling features. This revised filing replaces the company's filing of January 21, 1998.

2. US WEST COMMUNICATIONS - Docket N98.3.75 (Bonnie)

On April 1, 1998, US West has filed Transmittal 98-PLT03 revising cancellation charge assessment for private line transport services. the filing redefines critical dates and changes percentages assessed for cancellation charges applicable to Private Line transport orders.

3. US WEST COMMUNICATIONS - Docket N98.3.76 (Bonnie)

On April 1, 1998, US West has filed Transmittal 98-AC03 revising cancellation charge assessment for switched access services. The filing redefines critical dates and changes percentages assessed for cancellation charges applicable to Switched Access orders.

Notice Items All items identified below are noticed for public participation purposes. Unless otherwise stated in the text of the notice, the items will be action items on the next following agenda or a subsequent agenda and participation may be had by submitting written comments to the Public Service Commission, 1701 Prospect Avenue, PO Box 202601, Helena, Montana, 59620-2601, within 5 calendar days following publication of this agenda.

1. NORTHWESTERN TELEPHONE SYSTEMS, INC. - Docket N98.4.79(Vicki)

On April 7, 1998, Northwestern Telephone Systems, Inc. filed tariff pages for PSC Mont. No. 11 changing the company's assumed business name of PTI Communications to CenturyTel.

2. NORTHWESTERN TELEPHONE SYSTEMS, INC. - Docket N98.4.80(Vicki)

On April 7, 1998, Northwestern Telephone Systems, Inc. filed tariff pages for PSC Mont. ASC.3 (the access tariff) changing the company's assumed business name of PTI Communications to CenturyTel.

Information Items All items identified below are for information only.

Tentative Action Items for Agenda 98-4-27

N98.4.79 NORTHWESTERN TELEPHONE (Vicki)
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New Filings Received in Past Week

N98.4.81 Yellowstone Valley Electric Coop - Notice of Exemption
D98.4.82 MDU - Monthly Gas Tracker
N98.4.83 WorldCom - Revise WorldMark Services